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Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

**Amendment and Response**

In response to the Office Action mailed November 10, 1999 (Paper No. 21), kindly amend the claims as follows and consider the following remarks.

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

81 1. (Three Times Amended) A method for the treatment of established joint inflammation in a [human or non-human] patient in need thereof comprising administering to the patient an effective anti-inflammatory amount of a composition comprising at least one purified antibody specific against C5 [C5 blocker, wherein the C5 blocker does not block the functions of